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Report of the Secretary-General

ANNEX

Submission from the Government of the Republic of the Sudan
dated 9 February 1998

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The Permanent Mission of the Republic of the Sudan to the United Nations Office and other International Organizations in Geneva presents its compliments to the Secretary General of the United Nations and with reference to the latter's Note verbal No. GVA 8995 of December 2, 1997 regarding a questionnaire on Human Rights of Migrants, has the honour to enclose herewith the response of the Government of the Sudan to the afore-mentioned questionnaire.

The Government of the Sudan would like to draw the attention to the following:-

1. The latest figures or estimates are provided by the Ministry of Manpower for:
   - Total population including non-nationals, preferably by nationality of origin.
   - Number of nationals abroad, preferably by country of residence.
   - Non-nationals having authorization to work in the country.

2. Many migrants claim they are Sudanese, which was difficult to ascertain.

3. Sudanese Employment Laws do not prohibit the employment of non-Sudanese. The numbers mentioned consist only of those who opted to register as foreigners.

4. The relevant instruments for the protection of migrants are currently under consideration by the competent authorities with the aim of ratifying them.

5. There have been no manifestation or recorded cases of xenophobia or other forms of discrimination against migrants. Sudan is a multi-ethnic society and hence it is not easy to distinguish foreigners from citizens by appearance.

The Permanent Mission would provide any additional information on the subject when received, and avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Secretary General of the United Nations the assurances of its highest consideration.

SUDAN PERMANENT MISSION TO U.N. OFFICE - GENEVA

Geneva, 9 February 1998

Table (1)

Number Of Households (Excluding Collective) By Nationality Of Head And Population By Nationality And Sex According To Type Of Residence

Sudan 1993

	Total	Sudanese	Arab	African	Other Nationality			Not Stated
I. Total:-						Tot. No. of Non. Sudanese	%	
Household	3,557,100	3,509,438	30,047	16,364	818	47219	1.3	433
Both Sexes	21,266,641	20,885,067	245,721	126,062	4,537	376319	1.8	5,255
Males	10,671,616	10,472,132	125,027	68,416	2,656	196099	1.8	3,385
Females	10,595,025	10,412,935	120,694	57,645	1,881	180220	1.7	1,870
II. Urban:-								
Household	1,110,751	1,088,214	13,381	8,143	796	22321	2.0	216
Both Sexes	6,829,901	6,703,887	78,880	40,697	4,242	123818	1.8	2,196
Males	3,565,203	3,500,670	40,036	20,648	2,462	63146	1.8	1,387
Females	3,264,698	3,203,217	38,843	20,049	1,780	60672	1.9	809
III. Rural:-								
Household	2,446,349	2,421,224	16,666	8,221	21	24908	1.0	217
Both Sexes	14,436,740	14,181,180	166,841	85,365	295	252501	1.7	3,059
Males	7,106,413	6,971,462	84,990	47,768	194	132953	1.9	1,998
Females	7,330,327	7,209,717	81,851	37,596	101	119549	1.6	1,061

Source: Fourth Population Census Of Sudan 1993.

Table (2)

Number of Nationals Abroad, By Sex And Country Of Residence (000)

	Total %		Male %		Female %	
Total	357	100.00	304	100.00	53	100.00
Egypt	11	3.08	10	3.29	1	1.89
Libya	63	17.65	54	17.76	9	16.98
Saudi Arabia	179	50.14	152	50.00	27	50.94
Quater	9	2.52	6	1.97	3	5.68
Emirates	35	9.80	29	9.54	6	11.32
Oman	5	1.40	5	1.64	-	-
Yaman	11	3.08	10	3.29	1	1.89
Iraq	4	1.12	4	1.32	-	-
Syria	1	0.28	1	0.33	-	-
Lebanon	2	0.56	2	0.66	-	-
African Countries	4	1.12	4	1.32	-	-
Asian Countries	10	2.80	9	2.96	1	1.89
European Countries	14	3.92	11	3.62	3	5.66
U. S. A/ North America	6	1.68	4	1.32	2	3.77
Other Countries	1	0.28	1	0.33	-	-
Not Stated	2	0.56	2	0.66	-	-

- Less Than One Thousand.

Source: Migration And Labour Force Survey 1996.

Table (3)

Non-nationals having authorization to work	2108

Source: Ministry of Manpower 1997.